

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:17-cv-02175-RC**

LEOPOLD et al v. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND  
SECURITY

Assigned to: Judge Rudolph Contreras  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 10/19/2017

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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V.

**Defendant**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
10/19/2017	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5167291) filed by JASON LEOPOLD, BUZZFEED, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Summons, # <u>2</u> Civil Cover Sheet)(Light, Jeffrey) (Entered: 10/19/2017)
10/19/2017	<u>2</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by BUZZFEED, INC. (Light, Jeffrey) (Entered: 10/19/2017)

10/20/2017	<u>3</u>	ERRATA by BUZZFEED, INC. <u>2</u> LCvR 7.1 Certificate of Disclosure – Corporate Affiliations/Financial Interests filed by BUZZFEED, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Corrected LCvR 7.1 disclosure statement)(Light, Jeffrey) (Entered: 10/20/2017)
10/20/2017		Case Assigned to Judge Rudolph Contreras. (md) (Entered: 10/20/2017)
10/20/2017	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice of Consent) (md) (Entered: 10/20/2017)
11/28/2017	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 10/31/2017. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 11/30/2017.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 10/31/2017. (Light, Jeffrey) (Entered: 11/28/2017)
11/30/2017	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.(Lee, Jason) (Entered: 11/30/2017)
11/30/2017		MINUTE ORDER: It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet, confer, and jointly submit a proposed briefing schedule on or before December 14, 2017. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 11/30/2017.(lcrc3) (Entered: 11/30/2017)
12/14/2017	<u>7</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Matthew Charles Skurnik on behalf of DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY Substituting for attorney Jason Lee (Skurnik, Matthew) (Entered: 12/14/2017)
12/14/2017	<u>8</u>	PROPOSED BRIEFING SCHEDULE ( <i>Joint Proposed Schedule</i> ) by DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Skurnik, Matthew) (Entered: 12/14/2017)
12/14/2017	<u>9</u>	MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>8</u> the parties' Jointly Proposed Schedule, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet, confer, and submit a joint status report once every 90 days, with the first report due by February 12, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 12/14/2017. (lcrc3) (Entered: 12/14/2017)
12/15/2017		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 2/12/2018 (tj) (Entered: 12/15/2017)
02/12/2018	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Skurnik, Matthew) (Entered: 02/12/2018)
05/14/2018	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Skurnik, Matthew) (Entered: 05/14/2018)
08/13/2018	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Skurnik, Matthew) (Entered: 08/13/2018)
11/09/2018	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Skurnik, Matthew) (Entered: 11/09/2018)
12/06/2018	<u>14</u>	NOTICE of Change of Address by Matthew Charles Skurnik (Skurnik, Matthew) (Entered: 12/06/2018)
02/07/2019	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (Skurnik, Matthew) (Entered: 02/07/2019)